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State Labor Summary
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TOTAL EMPLOYMENT FALLS IN JANUARY: Total employment (not seasonally adjusted) in the State was estimated to be 2,961,200 as of mid-January of this year, a noticeable decrease of 95,500 people (-3.1 percent) over the month. North Carolina's seasonally adjusted total employment was estimated to be 3,020,000 in the middle of January, 1986, a net over-the-month decline of 47,000 persons (-1.5 percent).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT SUFFERS MONTHLY LOSS: North Carolina's manufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 825,900 as of the middle of this January, a net over-the-month decrease of 3,900 workers (-0.5 percent). The durable goods segment fell by 1,800 people (-0.5 percent). Primary metals was the only industry which displayed a modest employment growth (+200; +1.9 percent). The two durable goods industries which sustained the largest net monthly declines were furniture and fixtures (-500; -0.6 percent), all of which occurred in household furniture, and nonelectrical machinery (-500; -0.9 percent). The nondurable goods segment lost 2,100 workers (-0.4 percent) as six of its nine industry groups exhibited cutbacks. The hardest hit nondurable goods industry was food and kindred products (-1,200; -2.5 percent) as meat products lost 600 workers and bakery products fell by 100. The textile mill products industry declined by 600 (-0.3 percent) overall with weaving mills suffering the largest drop (-900).

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT DROPS IN JANUARY: Statewide nonmanufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 1,846,800 in mid-January, 1986, a net over-the-month decline of 30,000 workers (-1.6 percent). Total trade, down seasonally by 17,200 people (-2.9 percent), all of whom were in retailing, accounted for almost 60% of the decrease in nonmanufacturing employment. The construction industry followed losing 3,900 workers (-2.5 percent) over the month.

A chart showing the composition of nonagricultural employment in North Carolina as of January, 1986, can be found on page seven.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT SURGES OVER THE MONTH: North Carolina's total unemployment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 185,500 in mid-January of this year, a net over-the-month rise of 51,200 persons (+38.1 percent), and the unadjusted rate of unemployment climbed from 4.2 percent in December, 1985, to 5.9 percent in January, 1986. The State's seasonally adjusted total unemployment for mid-January, 1986, was estimated to be 178,000, a net monthly jump of 30,000 people (+20.3 percent). The seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment for the same period increased from 4.6 percent to 5.6 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 7.3 percent in January, 1986, and 6.7 percent in December, 1985. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 6.7 percent this January and 6.9 percent one month ago. A comparison of North Carolina and United States unemployment rates and Statewide (adjusted and unadjusted) monthly rates, January, 1985, through January, 1986, are shown by graphs on page six.

North Carolina Civilian Labor Force 1/

	January, 1986	December, 1985 2/	January, 1985 2/
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)			
Civilian Labor Force	3,146,700	3,191,000	2,994,800
Employment	2,961,200	3,056,700	2,781,900
Unemployment	185,500	134,300	212,900
Unemployment Rate	5.9	4.2	7.1
(Seasonally Adjusted)			
Civilian Labor Force	3,198,000	3,215,000	3,046,000
Employment	3,020,000	3,067,000	2,842,000
Unemployment	178,000	148,000	204,000
Unemployment Rate	5.6	4.6	6.7
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.3	6.7	8.0
(Seasonally Adjusted)	6.7	6.9	7.4

1/ Data compiled by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.
2/ Revised.

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CONSTANT WHILE AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS DECLINE: The average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees stayed at $7.46 over the month. The average hourly earnings of workers in the durable goods segment also remained constant at $7.68 from mid-December, 1985, to mid-January, 1986. Workers in the electrical machinery industry group enjoyed the largest net monthly increase in durable goods, up by 15¢ an hour (+1.8 percent) to reach $8.67 this January. Following was the primary metals industry group, whose employees experienced a net over-the-month gain of 9¢ an hour (+1.0 percent) to hit $8.82. Workers in the nondurable goods segment realized a small net monthly increase of 1¢ an hour (+0.1 percent) to rise to $7.32 in January, 1986. Chemical industry workers led the way in nondurable goods with a net over-the-month surge of 13¢ an hour (+1.3 percent) to climb to $9.87. Tobacco manufacturing employees were next, experiencing a net monthly increase of 7¢ an hour (+0.5 percent) to reach $13.22 this January. From the middle of December, 1985, to the middle of January, 1986, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers declined by $7.46 (-2.4 percent) to $300.64. Average weekly hours fell to 40.3 in January of this year, down by 1.0 hour over the month.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS JUMPS OVER THE MONTH: As of January 31, 1986, there were 183,709 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State, a net over-the-month increase of 9,597 people (+5.5 percent). The largest applicant sector by age was the twenty-two to thirty-nine sector which had 114,747 or 62.4 percent of the total, and the forty to fifty-four age group followed with 31,990 or 17.4 percent. The fewest active applicants were seen in the fifty-five and over category which had 9,833 or just 5.4 percent of the total. Females comprised the majority of the active applicants with 93,178 or 50.7 percent of the total. The largest ethnic group was white, not Hispanic, with 102,423 or 55.7 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file at the end of January of this year.

Statewide Active Applicant File
January 31, 1986

	Number	Percent
Total	183,709	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	27,139	14.8
22 - 39	114,747	62.4
40 - 54	31,990	17.4
55 and Over	9,833	5.4
Sex		
Male	90,531	49.3
Female	93,178	50.7
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	102,423	55.7
Black, not Hispanic	76,450	41.6
Hispanic	1,201	0.7
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,786	1.5
Other Races and Undetermined	849	0.5
Eligible Claimant	78,915	43.0
Veteran	35,335	19.2
Handicapped	12,421	6.8
Welfare	27,327	14.9
Seasonal Farmworker	2,319	1.3

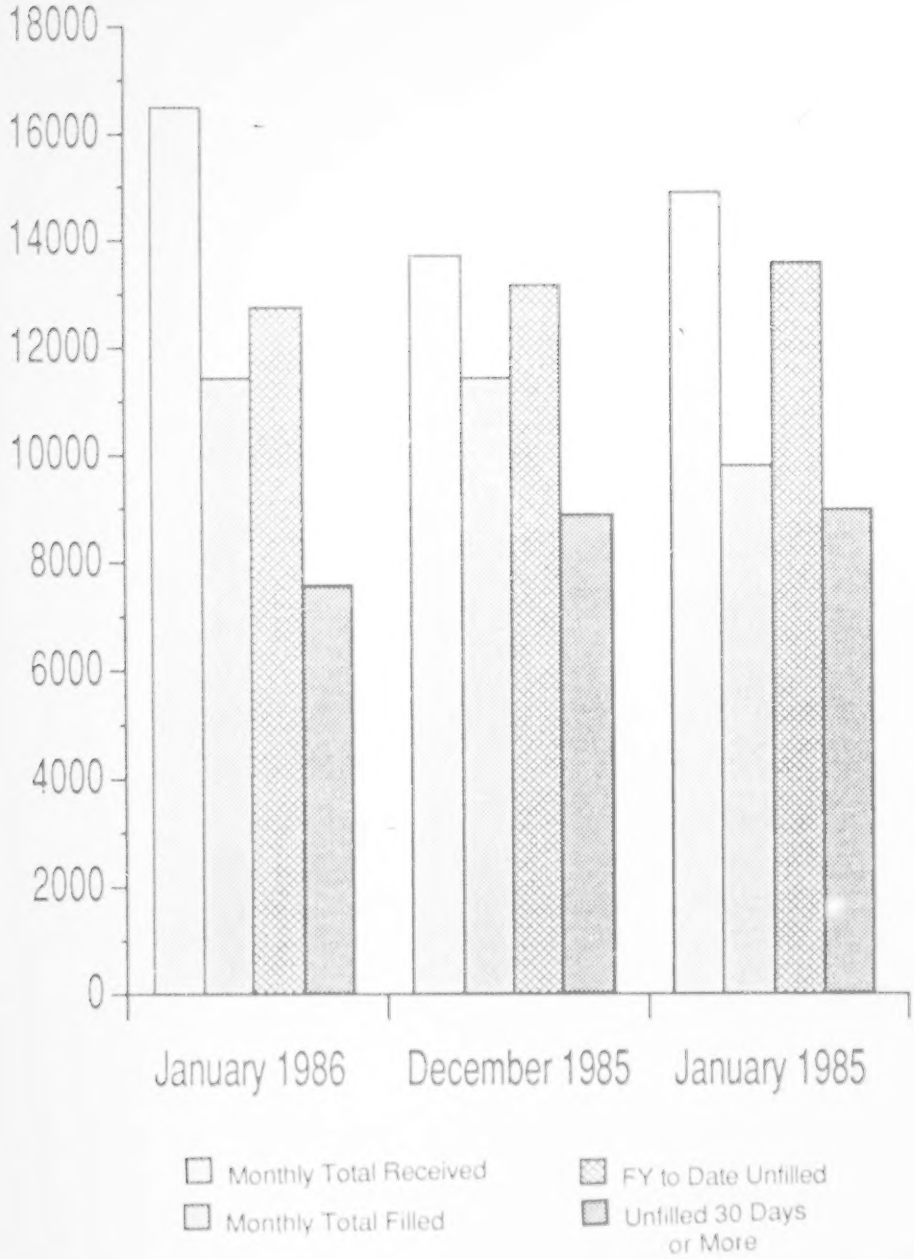
THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS GROWS IN JANUARY: During January of this year, there were 16,462 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina, a net monthly increase of 2,773 (+20.3 percent). Most of those openings were filled (11,541 or 70.1 percent). The service category experienced the largest number of job openings in January with 2,992 and 2,200 or 73.5 percent were filled. The miscellaneous occupational group followed with 2,547 job openings of which 1,884 or 74.0 percent were filled. Structural work was third in job openings received in January with 2,275 and 1,563 or 68.7 percent were filled. The fewest job openings occurred in processing with only 604; however, a very high percentage was filled (95.4 percent or 576). There were 158,295 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State from July 1, 1985, through January 31, 1986. Most of those openings were filled (127,938 or 80.8 percent). There were 12,847 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file at the end of January of this year with more than half (7,605 or 59.2 percent) being labeled as hard-to-fill -- on file for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on Statewide job openings for January, 1986, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1985, through January 31, 1986). Following the table is a graph depicting total job openings data for the current month (January, 1986), one month ago, and one year ago; and unfilled openings data for the fiscal year to date.

Statewide Job Openings Data

	January, 1986		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Jan. 31, 1986	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	917	302	6,377	3,149	1,477	851
Clerical	2,105	1,316	17,517	12,006	1,684	867
Sales	672	342	6,026	3,699	722	396
Service	2,992	2,200	24,889	19,122	2,516	1,540
Domestic	172	141	1,732	1,415	103	67
Other Services	2,820	2,059	23,157	17,707	2,413	1,473
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	863	723	28,793	28,475	227	129
Processing	604	576	6,656	6,082	245	124
Machine Trades	1,357	1,009	10,314	7,649	1,258	681
Bench Work	2,130	1,626	13,983	12,213	1,429	932
Structural Work	2,275	1,563	21,419	16,641	1,858	1,213
Miscellaneous	2,547	1,884	22,321	18,902	1,431	872
Motor Freight and Transp.	441	272	3,638	2,458	363	207
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	2,056	1,588	18,155	16,070	1,020	636
Other	50	24	528	374	48	29
Total	16,462	11,541	158,295	127,938	12,847	7,605

1/ July 1, 1985, through January 31, 1986.

NORTH CAROLINA JOB OPENINGS DATA



A COMPARISON: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

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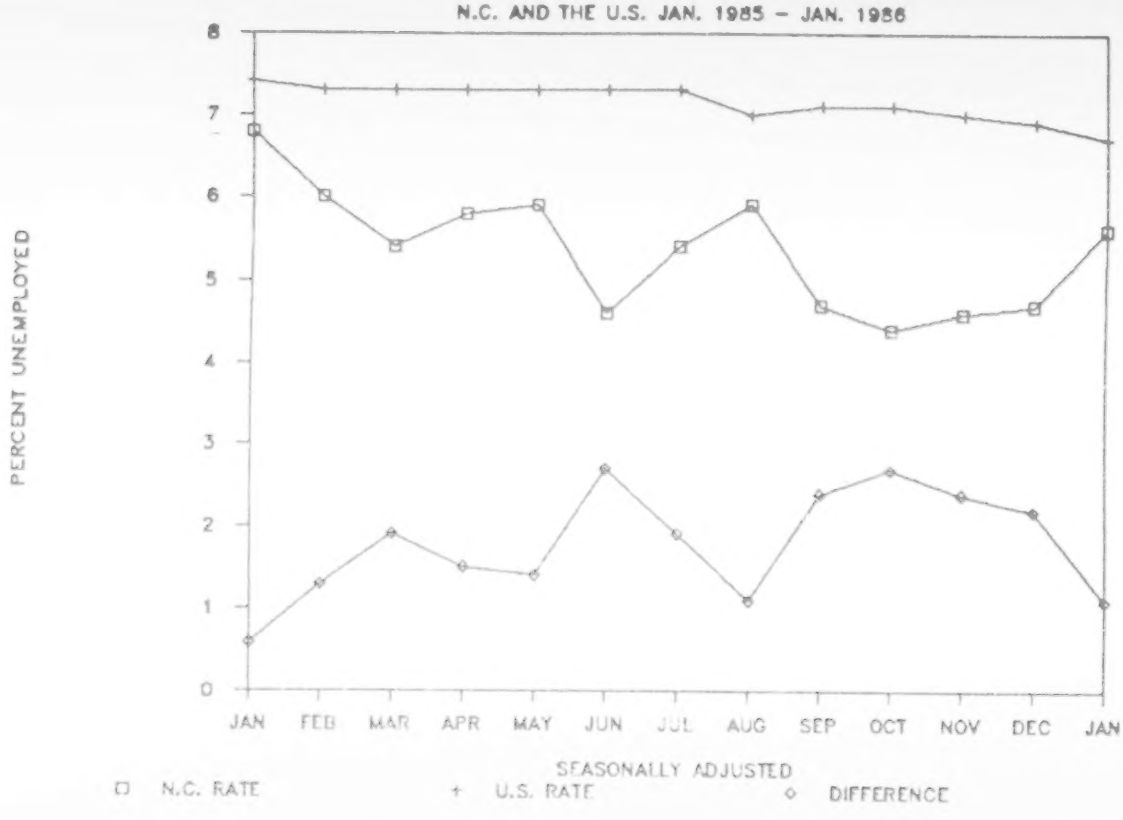

NORTH CAROLINA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

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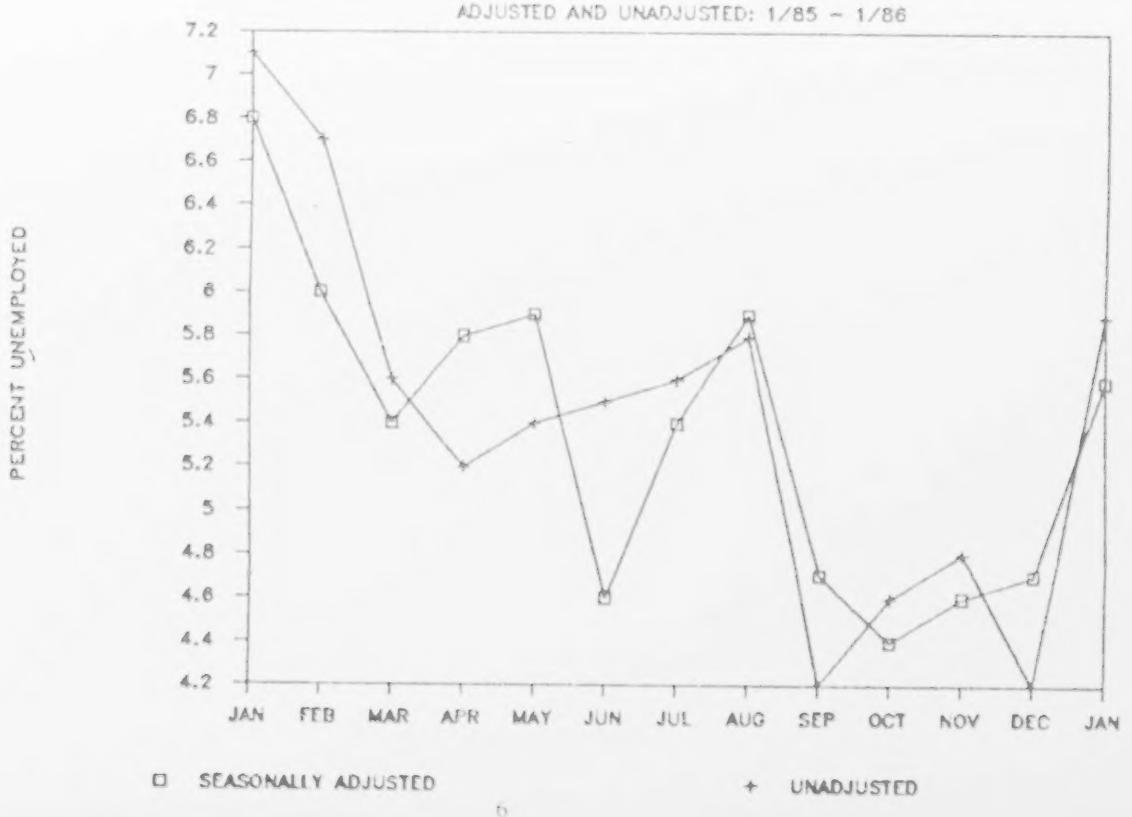
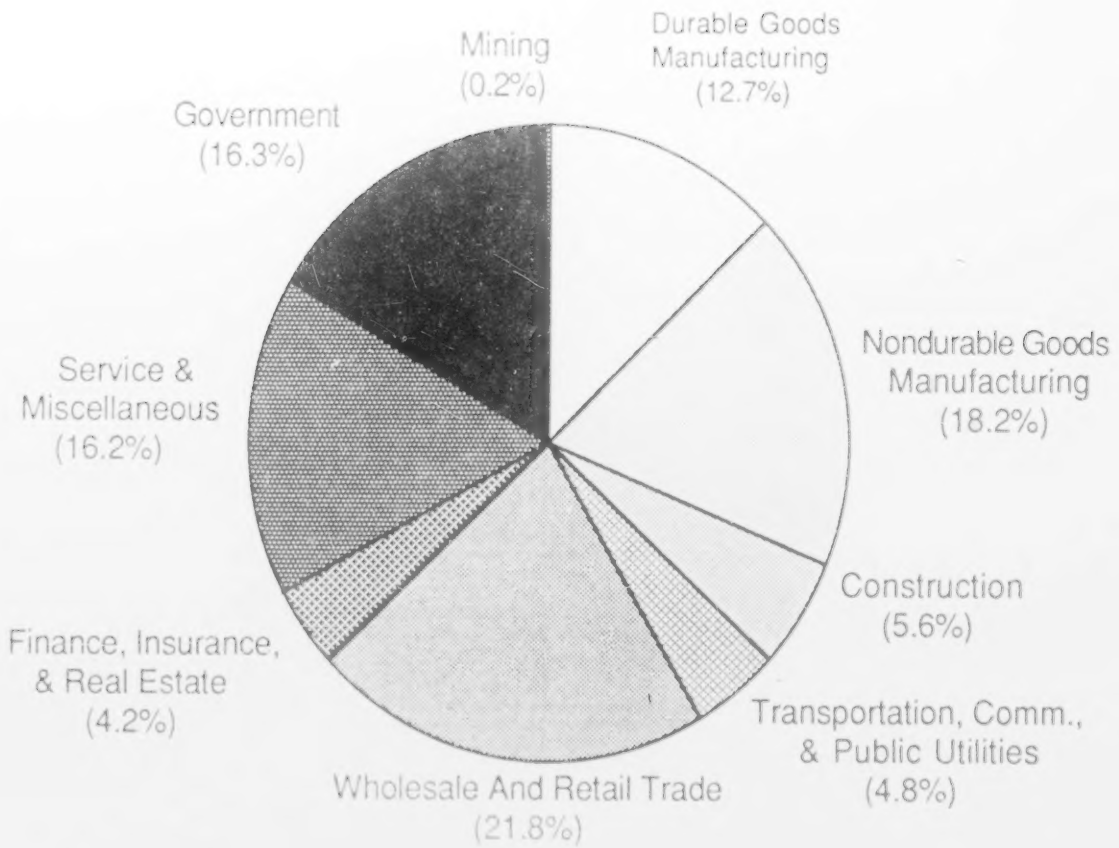


COMPOSITION OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA

JANUARY 1986

(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)



ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1986

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	Jan. 1986 (Thous)	Dec.* 1985 (Thous)	Jan.* 1985 (Thous)	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,672.7	2,706.7	2,588.5	- 1.3	+ 3.3
MANUFACTURING	825.9	829.8	830.0	- 0.5	- 0.5
DURABLE GOODS	340.3	342.1	341.9	- 0.5	- 0.5
Lumber & Wood Products	35.6	35.8	35.7	- 0.6	- 0.3
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.9	11.8	12.3	+ 0.8	- 3.3
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.3	8.3	8.6	0	- 3.5
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	5.6	5.5	4.6	+ 1.8	+21.7
Furniture & Fixtures	84.9	85.4	85.9	- 0.6	- 1.2
Household Furniture	75.3	75.8	76.1	- 0.7	- 1.1
Wood Household Furniture	37.3	37.7	38.6	- 1.1	- 3.4
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.5	31.5	31.2	0	+ 1.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	19.3	19.6	19.0	- 1.5	+ 1.6
Structural Clay Products	2.5	2.6	2.4	- 3.8	+ 4.2
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.5	5.6	5.2	- 1.8	+ 5.8
Primary Metal Industries	10.7	10.5	10.6	+ 1.9	+ 0.9
Fabricated Metal Products	26.8	26.8	27.1	0	- 1.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.3	8.5	8.5	- 2.4	- 2.4
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	56.5	57.0	58.3	- 0.9	- 3.1
Special Industry Machinery	7.0	7.0	7.5	0	- 6.7
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	66.0	66.2	66.6	- 0.3	- 0.9
Household Appliances	5.0	5.4	5.5	- 7.4	- 9.1
Transportation Equipment	23.7	23.7	22.2	0	+ 6.8
Other Durable Goods 2/	16.8	17.2	16.5	- 2.3	+ 1.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	485.6	487.7	488.2	- 0.4	- 0.5
Food & Kindred Products	45.9	47.1	43.7	- 2.5	+ 5.0
Meat Products	19.7	20.3	18.0	- 3.0	+ 9.4
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.6	2.5	- 3.8	0
Dairy Products	3.0	3.0	2.5	0	+20.0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.4	2.5	+ 4.2	0
Bakery Products	7.7	7.8	7.9	- 1.3	- 2.5
Beverages	5.9	5.9	6.2	0	- 4.8
Tobacco Manufacturers	26.1	26.2	23.7	- 0.4	+10.1
Cigarettes	20.4	20.5	19.6	- 0.5	+ 4.1
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	5.1	5.2	3.6	- 1.9	+41.7
Textile Mill Products	205.5	206.1	226.6	- 0.3	- 9.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	54.0	54.9	63.5	- 1.6	-15.0
Weaving Mills, Cotton	28.7	29.0	33.5	- 1.0	-14.3
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	24.8	25.4	29.0	- 2.4	-14.5
Knitting Mills	74.7	74.3	79.4	+ 0.5	- 5.9
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	24.9	24.9	23.5	0	+ 6.0
Hosiery, NEC	22.6	22.3	22.3	+ 1.3	+ 1.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	12.6	12.6	15.1	0	-16.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.1	6.0	7.0	+ 1.7	-12.9
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.5	14.5	15.0	0	- 3.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	48.2	48.4	55.1	- 0.4	-12.5

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1986

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	Jan. 1986 (Thous)	Dec.* 1985 (Thous)	Jan.* 1985 (Thous)	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
Apparel & Other Textile Products	88.9	88.9	92.1	0	- 3.5
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.9	29.8	29.9	+ 0.3	0
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	38.4	38.3	42.3	+ 0.3	- 9.2
Paper & Allied Products	22.6	22.3	22.3	+ 1.3	+ 1.3
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	11.0	10.7	11.1	+ 2.8	- 0.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.7	7.8	7.4	- 1.3	+ 4.1
Printing & Publishing	26.7	26.5	23.7	+ 0.8	+12.7
Newspapers	9.7	9.7	9.3	0	+ 4.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.8	36.9	37.7	- 0.3	- 2.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.1	12.9	13.3	+ 1.6	- 1.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	28.9	29.2	30.3	- 1.0	- 4.6
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.3	4.4	4.2	- 2.3	+ 2.4
NONMANUFACTURING	1,846.8	1,876.8	1,758.5	- 1.6	+ 5.0
MINING	4.5	4.7	4.7	- 4.3	- 4.3
CONSTRUCTION	150.8	154.7	136.4	- 2.5	+10.6
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	128.2	130.9	125.5	- 2.1	+ 2.2
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	69.1	71.7	66.9	- 3.6	+ 3.3
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.6	54.8	53.6	- 0.4	+ 1.9
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	582.8	600.0	558.1	- 2.9	+ 4.4
Wholesale Trade	137.9	137.7	134.0	+ 0.1	+ 2.9
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	83.4	83.3	80.9	+ 0.1	+ 3.1
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	54.4	54.5	53.0	- 0.2	+ 2.6
Retail Trade	445.0	462.3	424.2	- 3.7	+ 4.9
General Merchandise Stores	60.7	68.3	57.1	-11.1	+ 6.3
Food Stores	71.3	71.7	69.3	- 0.6	+ 2.9
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	111.3	111.0	104.7	+ 0.3	+ 6.3
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	434.1	437.8	406.8	- 0.8	+ 6.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	25.0	25.8	21.8	- 3.1	+14.7
Personal Services	27.5	27.5	25.5	0	+ 7.8
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	11.6	11.7	11.1	- 0.9	+ 4.5
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	435.0	437.6	422.3	- 0.6	+ 3.0
Federal	52.7	52.5	50.2	+ 0.4	+ 5.0
State	127.2	129.4	123.5	- 1.7	+ 3.0
Education	67.6	69.5	63.8	- 2.7	+ 6.0
Other	59.7	59.9	59.8	- 0.3	- 0.2
Local	255.1	255.8	248.6	- 0.3	+ 2.6
Education	136.6	137.6	135.3	- 0.7	+ 1.0
Other	118.5	118.2	113.3	+ 0.3	+ 4.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

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ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1986
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1986 (Thous)	December* 1985 (Thous)	January* 1985 (Thous)	December 1985	January 1985
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,706.3	2,690.0	2,618.9	+ 0.6	+ 3.3
MANUFACTURING	831.7	829.6	834.7	- 0.3	- 0.4
DURABLE GOODS	342.2	341.1	342.7	+ 0.3	- 0.1
Lumber & Wood Products	36.3	36.0	36.4	+ 0.8	- 0.3
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.2	11.8	12.6	+ 3.4	- 3.2
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.4	8.4	8.7	0	- 3.4
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	5.8	5.7	4.8	+ 1.8	+20.8
Furniture & Fixtures	84.1	84.7	84.0	- 0.7	+ 0.1
Household Furniture	74.6	75.0	75.5	- 0.5	- 1.2
Wood Household Furniture	37.3	38.0	38.6	- 1.8	- 3.4
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.4	31.3	31.1	+ 0.3	+ 1.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	19.8	19.8	19.5	0	+ 1.5
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.7	2.6	0	+ 3.8
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.7	5.6	5.4	+ 1.8	+ 5.6
Primary Metal Industries	10.8	10.6	10.7	+ 1.9	+ 0.9
Fabricated Metal Products	26.9	26.7	27.2	+ 0.7	- 1.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.4	8.5	8.6	- 1.2	- 2.3
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	56.8	56.4	58.6	+ 0.7	- 3.1
Special Industry Machinery	6.9	6.9	7.4	0	- 6.8
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	66.7	65.8	67.3	+ 1.4	- 0.9
Household Appliances	5.5	5.3	6.1	+ 3.8	- 9.8
Transportation Equipment	23.9	24.0	22.4	- 0.4	+ 6.7
Other Durable Goods 2/	16.9	17.1	16.6	- 1.2	+ 1.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	489.5	488.5	492.0	- 0.2	- 0.5
Food & Kindred Products	46.8	46.8	44.6	0	+ 4.9
Meat Products	19.9	20.2	18.2	- 1.5	+ 9.3
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Dairy Products	3.1	3.0	3.0	+ 3.3	+ 3.3
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.4	2.5	+ 4.2	0
Bakery Products	7.8	7.8	7.8	0	0
Beverages	6.0	5.9	5.8	+ 1.7	+ 3.4
Tobacco Manufacturers	25.9	25.9	26.0	0	- 0.4
Cigarettes	20.3	20.4	20.4	- 0.5	- 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	5.0	5.0	5.1	0	- 2.0
Textile Mill Products	207.4	207.1	212.5	+ 0.1	- 2.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	54.1	54.7	60.2	- 1.1	-10.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton	28.5	28.8	31.4	- 1.0	- 9.2
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	24.9	25.4	28.2	- 2.0	-11.7
Knitting Mills	75.9	75.1	74.5	+ 1.1	+ 1.9
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	25.0	24.9	24.4	+ 0.4	+ 2.5
Hosiery, NEC	23.2	22.7	23.0	+ 2.2	+ 0.9
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	12.9	12.7	12.3	+ 1.6	+ 4.9
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.2	6.1	6.2	+ 1.6	0
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.7	14.5	14.4	+ 1.4	+ 2.1
Yarn & Thread Mills	48.3	48.5	49.0	- 0.4	- 1.4

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1986

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1986 (Thous)	December* 1985 (Thous)	January* 1985 (Thous)	December 1985	January 1985
Apparel & Other Textile Products	89.7	89.2	87.6	+ 0.6	+ 2.4
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	30.1	30.2	29.1	- 0.3	+ 3.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	38.8	38.3	38.9	+ 1.3	- 0.3
Paper & Allied Products	22.4	22.2	22.5	+ 0.9	- 0.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.8	10.6	11.2	+ 1.9	- 3.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.7	7.8	7.6	- 1.3	+ 1.3
Printing & Publishing	26.4	26.3	25.7	+ 0.4	+ 2.7
Newspapers	9.7	9.7	9.3	0	+ 4.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.0	37.0	37.9	0	- 2.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.1	13.0	13.3	+ 0.8	- 1.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.5	29.6	30.9	- 0.3	- 4.5
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.4	4.3	0	+ 2.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1,874.6	1,860.4	1,784.2	+ 0.8	+ 5.1
MINING	4.7	4.7	4.9	0	- 4.1
CONSTRUCTION	161.1	155.9	145.8	+ 3.3	+10.5
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	129.8	130.6	127.0	- 0.6	+ 2.2
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	70.4	71.3	68.2	- 1.3	+ 3.2
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.7	54.8	53.7	- 0.2	+ 1.9
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	591.0	586.6	566.2	+ 0.8	+ 4.4
Wholesale Trade	139.7	133.6	135.7	+ 0.8	+ 2.9
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	83.8	83.5	81.3	+ 0.4	+ 3.1
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	55.9	55.1	54.4	+ 1.5	+ 2.8
Retail Trade	451.3	448.0	430.5	+ 0.7	+ 4.8
General Merchandise Stores	60.2	59.5	56.7	+ 1.2	+ 6.2
Food Stores	71.5	70.8	69.5	+ 1.0	+ 2.9
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	112.4	111.8	105.7	+ 0.5	+ 6.3
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	443.0	444.0	415.4	- 0.2	+ 6.6
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	28.3	27.7	24.7	+ 2.2	+14.6
Personal Services	26.9	27.7	24.9	- 2.9	+ 8.0
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	11.6	11.6	11.1	0	+ 4.5
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	432.6	426.8	419.2	+ 1.4	+ 3.2
Federal	53.0	52.5	50.5	+ 1.0	+ 5.0
State	129.2	124.6	124.8	+ 3.7	+ 3.5
Education	68.6	63.8	64.7	+ 7.5	+ 6.0
Other	60.6	60.8	60.7	- 0.3	- 0.2
Local	250.4	249.7	243.9	+ 0.3	+ 2.7
Education	130.0	129.8	128.7	+ 0.2	+ 1.0
Other	120.4	119.9	115.2	+ 0.4	+ 4.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary. *Revised.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1986

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1986	December* 1985	January* 1985	December 1985	January 1985
MANUFACTURING	652.8	656.5	660.1	- 0.6	- 1.1
DURABLE GOODS	256.6	258.5	259.6	- 0.7	- 1.2
Lumber & Wood Products	30.5	30.7	30.7	- 0.7	- 0.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.2	7.3	7.6	1.4	- 5.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.5	4.5	3.7	0	+21.6
Furniture & Fixtures	75.1	75.6	76.7	0.7	- 2.1
Household Furniture	67.1	67.6	68.6	0.7	- 2.2
Wood Household Furniture	34.3	34.7	35.5	1.2	- 3.4
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.6	15.9	15.7	1.9	- 0.6
Structural Clay Products	1.9	2.1	1.9	9.5	0
Primary Metal Industries	8.0	7.8	8.0	+ 2.6	0
Fabricated Metal Products	20.0	20.0	20.2	0	- 1.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	28.0	28.5	28.8	1.8	2.8
Special Industry Machinery	4.8	4.7	5.1	+ 2.1	5.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	47.7	48.0	48.8	0.6	- 2.3
Household Appliances	4.5	4.8	4.9	6.2	8.2
Transportation Equipment	19.0	19.0	17.9	0	+ 6.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	396.3	398.0	400.5	0.4	1.0
Food & Kindred Products	32.3	33.2	30.0	2.7	+ 7.7
Meat Products	17.5	18.0	15.8	2.8	+10.8
Meat Packing	1.9	1.9	1.8	0	+ 5.6
Dairy Products	1.5	1.5	1.4	0	+ 7.1
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Bakery Products	4.3	4.4	4.4	2.3	2.3
Beverages	2.4	2.4	2.1	0	+14.3
Tobacco Manufacturers	20.1	20.2	20.8	0.5	3.4
Cigarettes	16.1	16.2	16.3	0.6	- 1.2
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.5	3.6	4.1	2.8	14.6
Textile Mill Products	181.3	181.3	186.7	0.3	2.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	47.6	48.4	53.5	1.7	11.0
Weaving Mills, Cotton	25.1	25.3	28.0	0.8	10.4
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	22.1	22.6	25.0	2.2	11.6
Knitting Mills	66.1	65.8	64.7	+ 0.5	+ 2.2
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.4	22.4	21.9	0	+ 2.3
Hosiery, NEC	20.4	20.2	20.4	+ 1.0	0
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	10.6	10.7	10.1	0.9	+ 5.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.3	5.3	5.2	0	+ 1.9
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	12.2	12.1	11.9	+ 0.8	+ 2.5
Yarn & Thread Mills	43.9	44.0	44.7	0.2	- 1.8
Apparel & Other Textile Products	78.0	77.9	76.7	+ 0.1	+ 1.7
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	26.4	26.3	26.2	+ 0.4	+ 0.8
Women's & Children's Garments	33.4	33.3	33.4	+ 0.3	0
Paper & Allied Products	17.0	16.8	17.0	+ 1.2	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	8.0	7.8	8.4	+ 2.6	- 4.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.9	5.9	5.7	0	+ 3.5
Printing & Publishing	16.5	16.4	16.7	+ 0.6	1.2
Newspapers	3.6	3.7	3.6	2.7	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.9	24.0	24.3	0.4	1.6
Plastic Materials & Synthetics	8.9	8.8	9.2	+ 1.1	3.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	23.6	23.8	24.9	- 0.8	5.2
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.6	3.7	3.5	2.7	+ 2.9

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2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products."

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ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/
JANUARY, 1986

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Jan. 1986	Dec.* 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec.* 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec.* 1985	Jan. 1985
MANUFACTURING	$300.64	$308.10	$280.67	40.3	41.3	39.2	$ 7.46	$ 7.46	$ 7.16
DURABLE GOODS	312.58	322.56	296.21	40.7	42.0	40.3	7.68	7.68	7.35
Lumber & Wood Products	266.67	268.38	241.19	40.9	41.1	39.8	6.52	6.53	6.06
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	263.86	260.16	241.90	41.1	41.1	41.0	6.42	6.33	5.90
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	287.43	290.14	261.00	39.7	39.8	37.5	7.24	7.29	6.96
Furniture & Fixtures	264.32	274.72	252.25	39.1	40.4	39.6	6.76	6.80	6.37
Household Furniture	262.75	273.28	250.67	39.1	40.5	39.6	6.72	6.76	6.33
Wood Household Furniture	253.09	261.46	242.35	39.3	40.6	39.6	6.44	6.44	6.12
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	334.46	338.06	318.16	41.6	42.1	41.0	8.04	8.03	7.76
Structural Clay Products	280.22	282.81	262.17	41.7	42.4	40.9	6.72	6.67	6.41
Primary Metal Industries	377.50	374.52	355.32	42.8	42.9	42.1	8.82	8.73	8.44
Fabricated Metal Products	328.75	345.03	322.60	41.3	43.4	41.2	7.96	7.95	7.83
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	341.95	379.55	343.61	41.1	44.6	41.2	8.32	8.51	8.34
Special Industry Machinery	333.56	348.73	319.07	41.8	43.7	41.6	7.98	7.98	7.67
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	354.60	361.25	332.75	40.9	42.4	39.8	8.67	8.52	8.36
Household Appliances	276.00	268.46	254.41	40.0	40.8	36.5	6.90	6.58	6.97
Transportation Equipment	370.14	371.42	351.31	43.7	43.8	43.0	8.47	8.48	8.17
NONDURABLE GOODS	293.53	298.25	271.04	40.1	40.8	38.5	7.32	7.31	7.04
Food & Kindred Products	273.73	269.47	254.34	41.1	40.4	40.5	6.66	6.67	6.28
Meat Products	233.29	221.73	214.65	41.0	38.9	40.5	5.69	5.70	5.30
Meat Packing	325.71	333.63	333.94	42.3	42.5	43.2	7.70	7.85	7.73
Dairy Products	284.34	291.79	271.76	42.0	43.1	43.0	6.77	6.77	6.32
Grain Mill Products	339.71	321.01	300.66	46.6	44.4	43.7	7.29	7.23	6.88
Bakery Products	285.29	292.99	276.98	39.9	41.5	39.4	7.10	7.06	7.03
Beverages	505.25	566.43	459.88	43.0	47.4	42.7	11.75	11.95	10.77
Tobacco Manufacturers	479.89	487.87	453.87	36.5	37.1	36.4	13.22	13.15	12.30
Cigarettes	549.03	554.94	517.72	36.7	36.8	37.3	14.96	15.08	13.88
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	190.85	209.17	184.79	34.7	38.1	34.8	5.50	5.49	5.31
Textile Mill Products	266.90	272.17	242.82	40.5	41.5	38.3	6.59	6.59	6.34
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	284.26	298.25	275.41	39.1	40.8	39.4	7.27	7.31	6.99
Weaving Mills, Cotton	279.75	296.00	280.40	37.5	40.0	40.0	7.46	7.40	7.01
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	289.57	301.07	270.44	40.9	41.7	38.8	7.08	7.22	6.97
Knitting Mills	243.54	241.96	216.22	39.6	39.6	36.4	6.15	6.11	5.94
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	236.34	241.00	214.97	39.0	40.1	37.0	6.06	6.01	5.81
Hosiery, NEC	224.03	230.75	201.37	37.4	35.6	34.6	5.99	5.92	5.82
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	277.20	281.22	224.38	42.0	43.0	35.4	6.60	6.54	6.25
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	305.27	312.86	281.78	44.5	46.0	42.5	6.86	6.91	6.63
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	287.04	301.46	261.76	41.3	43.5	39.6	6.95	6.93	6.61
Yarn & Thread Mills	269.24	274.96	230.85	42.4	43.3	38.6	6.35	6.35	5.98
Apparel & Other Textile Products	196.42	200.85	183.24	37.7	38.7	36.0	5.21	5.19	5.09
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	195.57	202.16	179.57	36.9	38.0	34.8	5.30	5.32	5.19
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	186.58	184.95	174.60	38.0	37.9	36.0	4.91	4.88	4.85
Paper & Allied Products	515.25	520.07	485.32	45.0	46.5	44.2	11.45	11.43	10.98
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	659.38	661.07	604.66	45.9	46.1	45.6	14.37	14.34	13.26
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	378.84	383.04	341.93	45.1	45.6	43.5	8.40	8.40	7.86
Printing & Publishing	334.17	354.52	310.83	39.5	41.2	39.0	8.46	8.60	7.97
Newspapers	258.85	274.32	273.23	31.3	33.7	35.3	8.27	8.14	8.22
Chemicals & Allied Products	434.54	411.03	387.04	42.0	42.2	41.0	9.87	9.74	9.44
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	456.42	455.99	441.41	42.5	42.5	42.2	10.79	10.76	10.46
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	378.84	385.81	367.43	41.0	41.8	41.1	9.24	9.23	8.94
MINING	371.91	376.27	339.95	45.3	46.4	42.6	8.21	8.12	7.98
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	480.57	488.22	457.56	41.5	41.8	41.0	11.58	11.68	11.16
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	202.77	203.23	191.75	32.6	33.1	31.8	6.22	6.14	6.03
Wholesale Trade	314.42	311.65	296.79	39.5	39.0	38.0	7.96	7.87	7.81
Retail Trade	171.36	174.58	162.71	30.6	31.4	29.8	5.60	5.56	5.46
General Merchandise Stores	155.15	168.77	142.18	27.3	30.3	27.5	5.61	5.57	5.17
Food Stores	183.29	184.60	194.63	32.1	32.5	33.1	5.71	5.68	5.78
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	131.16	138.40	136.19	28.7	29.7	30.4	4.57	4.66	4.48
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	194.90	196.56	186.02	35.5	36.0	35.5	5.49	5.46	5.24

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